

Spotlight on Hampton County...

Location & Climate

- Located in the southern area of the state
- Surrounded by Allendale, Bamberg, Beaufort, Colleton, and Jasper counties and Georgia
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 65.5 degrees and experiences 48.34 inches of precipitation

Population

- 21,301 in 2004
- 42.9% white and 57.1% nonwhite (Census 2000)
- Median age was 34.8 years old (Census 2000)
- Estimated growth of 23,300 by 2015

Labor Force

- Increased from 7,859 in 2003 to 8,095 in 2004
- Unemployment rate fell from 9.5% in 2003 to 9.3% in 2004

Employment

- Average monthly employment for the county was 7,346 in 2004, compared to 7,006 in 2003

Per Capita Income

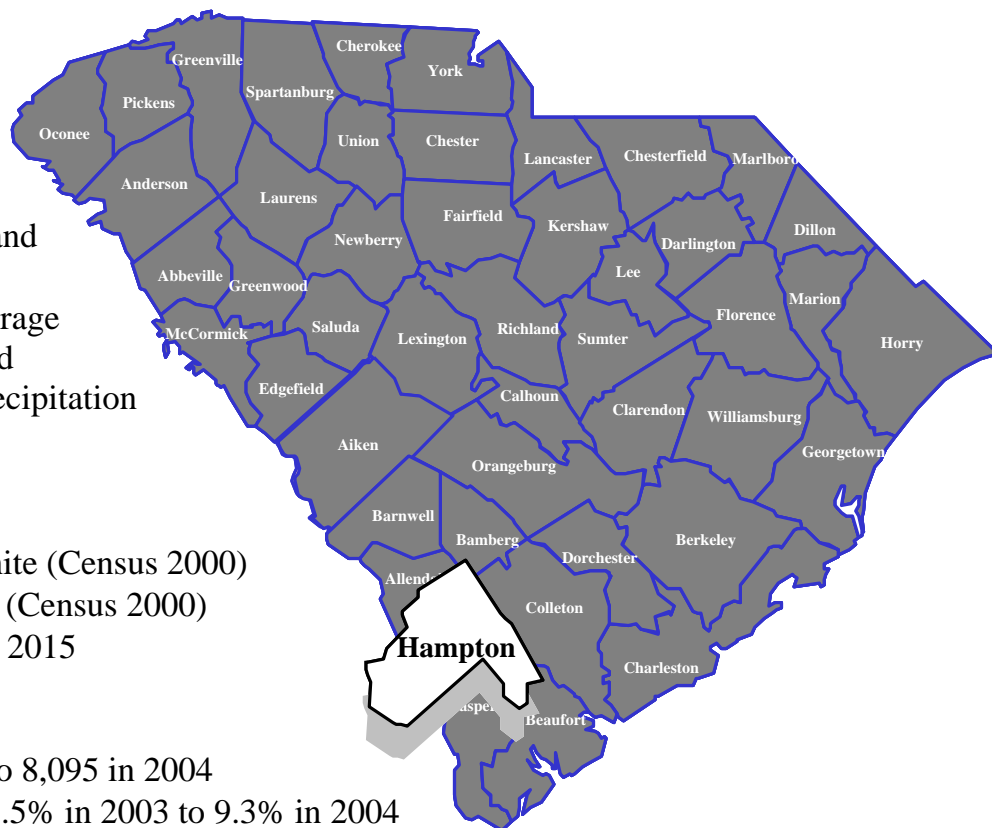
- Per capita income for the county was \$19,855 in 2003
- It was 76% of the state's PCI of \$26,144

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Hampton Workforce Center paid \$1,478,117 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2004.

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